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Box PATENT APPLICATION Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: New U.S. Patent Application

Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD OF STACKING

NETWORK SWITCHES

Inventor(s): KUO-CHENG LU and HUNG-KUANG CHEN

Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

- 1. Application 45 pages, including 7 independent claims and 40 claims total.
- 2. Drawings 9 sheets of formal drawings (Figures 1-13).
- 3. Declaration/Power of Attorney.
- 4. Recordation Form Cover Sheet Assignment to Industrial Technology Research Institute

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The filing fee is calculated as follows:

Basic Application Filing Fee					\$740	\$	740.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims			
Total Claims	40	-	20	20	x \$18		360.00
Independent Claims	7	-	3	4	x \$84		336.00
[] Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s) +\$270							
Subtotal						\$	740.00
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TOTAL APPLICATION FILING FEE						\$	1436.

- 5. A check for \$1476.00 is enclosed. The fee includes:
 - \$ 740.00 filing fee;
 - \$ 40.00 Recordation Fee
 - \$ 696.00 extra claim fee

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Please accord this application a serial number and filing date.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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